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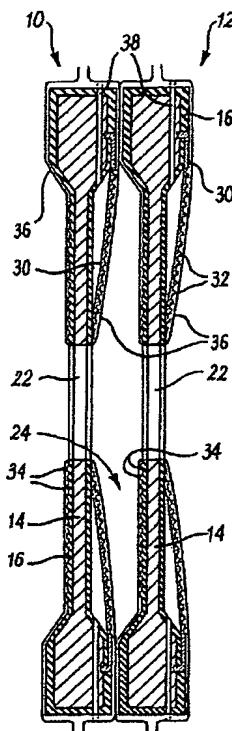
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(57) Abstract: A filter plate press with a plurality of filter plates (10, 12). A resilient diaphragm (30) is provided on one side only of each filter plate (10, 12), and hot water or steam can be passed between the diaphragm and the adjacent filter plate (10, 12). Each filter plate (10, 12) has a steel core (14) to provide high heat transfer, such that heated fluid between a diaphragm (30) and a respective plate (10, 12) heats the filter chamber (24) on the opposite side of the respective filter plate (10, 12).

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